

General Sessions

Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Monday			
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Check-in and Registration This is when you check in and register		Salmon Gallery
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Opening Session Welcome by WADE President and Awards. Reports from agencies.		Chapel Theater
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	New Employee Orientation Introduction for new employees. This will be an orientation to the workings of Districts and roles of employees in achieving local conservation success	Monte Marti, Snohomish CD	Chapel Theater
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	New Technology for Use in Your District Take a look at some of the new technology that could help you in your district. GPS units, Smart Phones, iPads, Websites, Web Services, and more.	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Do it Right! The Essentials of Awarding Contracts & Prevailing Wage Prevailing wage affects every district. Do you know when it's applicable and how your district is responsible? Do you know what happens when a contractor fails to pay prevailing wage once you've awarded them a contract? You'll learn all this and more	Laura Herman, WA Dept. of Labor & Industries	
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Successful Grant Writing in Highly Competitive Times Improve your odds! Come learn how to prepare grant proposals that get funded! Gain insight on how to develop your ideas, develop your problem statement and project objectives, and matching your project idea with the right funder.	Rex Porter, Porter Group, LLC	
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Dinner		
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Envirothon Meeting	Cindy Pierce, Skagit CD	
Tuesday			
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Breakfast		
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch		
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Dinner		
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Casino Night Join us for some good ol' fashioned gambling! Bring your REAL dollar bills to purchase WADE Bucks to play a variety of casino games! Games include Blackjack, Texas Hold 'em, Bingo, to name a few. All proceeds go to fund the Washington State Envirothon		Play House
Wednesday			
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Breakfast		
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Closing Session Closing Remarks, Call for Coordinators next year, Auction, and WADE O&D elections.		Chapel Theater
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch		

Admin/Finance			Carolyn Kelly/Sue Bridgeman
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Tuesday			
8:00 am - 11:00 am	Public Works Contracting Contracting information from the SAO Bid Law and Public Contracting Specialist.	Emaline Hoffmeister, SAO	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	What's New from Auditors Office Will go over changes in the BARs manual and Annual Financial Report.	Mark Rapozo, SAO	
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Crooks You Work With Conservation district stewardship of its human resources and financial affairs. (with Supervisor Track)	Larry Bailey, Water and Sewer Risk Management Pool	
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Survive an IRS Audit and Rebuild Trust	Tom Salzer, Clackamas CD	
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Building Effective Boards	Tom Salzer, Clackamas CD	
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 10:00 am	What"s New from the Commission	Debbie Becker, WCC	

Engineering			Rich Geiger
Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Basic Field Surveying for Conservation Technicians Intended for the beginner, introductory class on conducting accurate 3-dimensional field measurements using a tape and level. Orientation on how to use optical and laser levels, and level note taking. Instruction on the baseline-offset, grid and "Swinging chains" techniques. "How-to" handouts will be provided.	Rich Geiger, Mason CD	Outside
9:30 am - 11:00 am	Basic Field Surveying for Conservation Technicians Field exercises based on the first session, hands-on instruction and practice in 3-dimensional field surveying using a tape and level.	Rich Geiger, Mason CD	Outside
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Basic Topographic Mapping for Field Technicians Instruction and hands-on exercise in reducing field level survey notes and drafting an elevation site map. Participation in the prior level surveying class and hands on exercise is encouraged but not required for this session. Excellent basic skill for farm and small project site planning. "How-to" handouts will be provided.	Rich Geiger, Mason CD	Outside
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Introduction to Total Station Topographic Surveying Orientation on setup and surveying with a total station instrument with electronic data collector and prism mirror. Participants will also learn the survey planning process and professional tips to get all the right data the first time to effectively survey a site.	Rich Geiger, Mason CD	Outside
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Low Impact Development for Conservation Districts Presentations about CDs working with local agency's to promote low impact development. Includes project construction presentations and experiences with working with local jurisdictions and partner agencies. Also included will be key changes to expect in the new DOE LID manual.	Rich Geiger, Mason CD, Stacy Aleksich, Snohomish CD	

Wednesday			
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Ask an Engineer Discuss any topic about conservation engineering. Past discussion topics included: Considerations in hiring a staff engineer or a consultant; how CD employees can earn a license as a professional engineer, landscape architect, etc., tips in preparing and bidding construction contracts, etc.. New this year - AmeriCorps Engineering: How to supplement your engineering capability with an AmeriCorps engineer.	Rich Geiger, Mason CD	Outside

Forestry			Al Craney
Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Monday			
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	What GIS Technology is Available to Districts and How it can be Used	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	-
There is a whole lot of information and technology out there that your district could be using that you may never have know existed. I will try to introduce you to as much of it as I can including, data sources, web mapping services, programs, and much more.			
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Building a District Forestry Program	Doug Rushton, NACD Forestry Comm.	
Options to include forestry into District programs. NACD support.			
9:30 am - 12:00 am	NRCS Forestry Plans	Carri Gaines, State Staff Forester	
Tools availabe for forest planning & forestry inside EQIP. NRCS Forestry practices and standards.			
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Forestry in the Urban Environment	Garth Davis, Spokane CD	
Urban Forests as an integral part of community infrastructure to protect water quality and provide additional benefits.			
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Does the public understand the difference between good and bad forestry?	Andy Perleberg, WSU Ext. Educator	
Tips on educating the public on forest management to improve forest health and protect watersheds.			
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Firewise Communities/USA process	Jennifer Hinderman, Skagit CD	
How to guide communities through the Firewise process. Overview on performing risk assessments.			
9:00 am - 10:00 am	"Firewise in Skagit County" Video	Jennifer Hinderman, Skagit CD	
Telling the story of Firewise in Skagit County with a focus on successful partnerships and landowner interviews.			

Info. & Edu.			Cindy Pierce
Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Monday			
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Building Common Ground Using partnerships to develop, fund, and implement new and innovative programs	Kristi Carpenter, Skagit CD	-
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Youth Education Round Table Please come and share what activities you are doing in your district. Bring hand-outs or brochures if you have them or even interactive activities you might want to share.	Cindy Pierce, Skagit CD	
9:30 am - 11:00 am	East Side Education Programs in the Classroom Programs like Salmon in the Classroom, Wheat Week, Water on Wheels will be displayed with many ideas that you can bring home and share with your district	Kara Kaelber, Franklin CD	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	How to Market Your Education Program Helpful tips for promotion of your education programs	Kara Kaelber, Franklin CD	
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	West Side Education Programs in the Classroom Programs highlighted will be the Annual 6th Grade Conservation Tour, Watershed Model Presentations, and Poster Contests. Hands-on demonstrations.	Cindy Pierce, Skagit CD	
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Introduction to Envirothon A mini-Envirothon will be held and participants will be divided into groups for this fun hands-on competition. Awards will be distributed!	Cindy Pierce, WA State Envirothon	
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Adult Education Programs Backyard Conservation, Stream Team, Watershed Masters programs and more will presented	Kristi Carpenter, Skagit CD	

Irrigated Ag			Jon Culp
Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Practical Irrigation Management Tools	Dr. Troy Peters, WSU Irrigation Engineer	
The tools of irrigation water management in the electronic age or, everything you need to know to make your own rice krispy treats.			
9:30 am - 11:00 am	Fish Screens	Greg Kinsinger, WWCCD Fish Screen Coordinator and lots other stuff	
Fish friendly, Irrigator friendly, and grant eligible!!!!!!!!!!!!			
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Update in Irrigation Tools, Tips, and Tricks	Leigh Nelson, NRCS State Irrigation Eng	
Want to know the latest and greatest, what's new and what to do?			
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Water Conservation in Sleeping Lady's Organic Garden	Jack Myrick, WSCC	
Wear your boots! We're going out in the field on this one. Site assessment and staff interaction in the organic garden. We've been working with Sleeping Lady since this spring to improve their water conservation techniques and infrastructure. Let's talk about what they did and how its working for them.			
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Water Conservation in Sleeping Lady's Organic Garden	Jack Myrick, WSCC	
Moving back inside to show you how we came up with the conservation system and management recommendations for the organic garden.			
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Roundtable Discussion	Jon Culp, WSCC	
Have a question about project funding? Planning considerations? Water rights? Programs? Would you like to come tell of a new and exciting project your district is working on? Let's talk!			

IT			Andrew Phay
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8:30 am - 9:30 am	Introducing ArcMap 10	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
Here we will go over the main programs that make up ArcMap and the uses of them.			
9:30 am - 11:00 am	Datasets and Sources	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
Here we will be going over the different types of datasets ArcMap uses including Shapefiles and GeoDatabases. Different sources of data will also be covered. From USGS to Bing Maps to Esri, there is a lot of data about your area you may not know about. Share your best sources too!			
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Editing in ArcMap	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
Here we will start going over editing in ArcMap. I will show some of the shortcuts used for quicker editing as well. If you want to participant (you do), bring your own Laptop with ArcMap 10 installed. If you don't have it installed contact me before the conference and we can get something working. This will be a hands on session.			
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Editing in ArcMap Continued	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
This will be a continuation of the previous class with an emphasis on Geoprocessing.			
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Misc. ArcMap Stuff	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
Here we will be going over some of the other things that people have problems with in ArcMap including Projections, Spatial Analyst, Queries, GPS, Model Builder, and the infamous Metadata.			
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Online Mapping that Your District could use.	Andrew Phay, Whatcom CD	
Here we will be introducing some online mapping stratagies that your district can use including ArcGIS Online, Google Maps, and Fusion Tables. We may go over some more complex online software packages as well, time permitting.			

Livestock			Nicole Embertson
Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Monday			
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Welcome!	Dr. Nichole Embertson, Whatcom CD	-
Meet and greet and get settled in your Livestock track with an overview of what's to come. This session will provide an opportunity to raise new topics and ask questions you would like addressed over the next few days.			
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	What's New in Conservation Planning	Josh Monaghan, King CD	
An overview of what NRCS planning tools are out there and how they can best serve your needs. Also, an update on what new services CD's have available to them for training, planning, and staying in touch.			
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	NRCS Nutrient Management 590 Update	Bonda Habets, NRCS WA State Resource Conservationist	
Meet your new NRCS State Resource Conservationist and learn about the roll out of the new 590 specification due out Fall 2012. Bonda will go over her vision of NRCS and what is coming in the future.			
9:30 am - 11:00 am	Are you Ready to Plan for Anaerobic Digesters?	Kara Steward, Dept of Ecology, Norra Mena, WSDA, and CD Planner	
Whether you're planning for a digester or a farm taking digestate, there are things you need to know. Come learn about the regulations and planning details associated with digesters, their future growth in WA, and hear from planners who have discovered the pros and cons of digester planning.			
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	AFO/CAFO Planning from EPAs Perspective	Karma Anderson, EPA Regional Ag Advisor	
Come meet Karma Anderson, the EPA Region 10 ag advisor. She will be talking about EPAs perspective on AFO/CAFO planning and what up and coming hot topics are in the Region.			
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Manure Application Risk Management and Watershed Health Assessment	Dr. Nichole Embertson, Whatcom CD	
Manure management can be a risky business. Learn about a new Application Risk Management (ARM) system that you can use to help farmers make better decisions and reduce their risk of having a runoff or leaching event. Also, see how watershed health assessment mapping can keep farmers on track with conservation.			
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	The New Energy Audit Program	Leigh Nelson, NRCS and James Weatherford, Thurston CD	
NRCS is rolling out its new "E" with energy conservation planning for agricultural operations. Learn more about the program, how it has been implemented, and how you can take the next steps.			
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Critical Area Buffers - Are they Being Shoved Down your Throat?	TBA	
Whether you already have critical area buffers in your County, or the Ruckelshaus Decision is looming on your horizon, come learn why setbacks are recommended, how they have been utilized, and hear examples from counties going through the adoption process.			
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Working Effectively with Farmers	Planner Panel TBA	
A panel of seasoned planners will be open to talk about their experiences working with farms, conflict management, creative solutions, and answer/discuss any topic from the room. This is a group activity.			
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Keep Sharp and Plugged In To the Livestock World	Dr. Nichole Embertson, Whatcom CD	
Now it's time to stay sharp! Learn about current research in the livestock industry, discover which news sources are providing the best information, find the information gems hidden in agency websites, and uncover ways to improve your knowledge everyday.			

Riparian Restoration

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Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Monday			
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Successfully Permitting Riparian Restoration Projects	Chelan County, DNR, DOE, and ORA	-
Does my restoration project require SEPA? Is this project exempt from permitting? What permits do I need? Where can I get help? Representatives from multiple agencies will be on hand to answer these questions and give you tips on how to permit your projects.			
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Riparian Restoration in Low Rainfall Sites	Walla Walla CD	
Learn techniques used for riparian area restoration on the drier side of the state including tips for planning, implementing and maintaining these projects. Also highlighted will be a newly installed CREP wetland project.			
9:30 am - 11:00 am	Tools for Evaluating Riparian Areas	NRCS	
Come learn about several tools that are available, including NRCS Tech. Note 14, to aid in performing inventory and evaluation of riparian areas. Put the tools to work later in the day at the outdoor session.			
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Introduction to Hydric Soils	Chuck Natsuhara, NRCS	
Learn the processes that form features used in identifying a hydric soil, one of the three parts needed in identifying wetlands. Join Chuck later in the day for an outdoor hands-on field component.			
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Introduction to Hydric Soils & Tools for Evaluating Riparian Areas	NRCS	
Meet at 1:30 in front of the Sleeping Lady Office to carpool off-site. We will be looking at soil processes in the field and evaluating riparian areas using the inventory tools presented in the classroom session.			
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 9:00 am	CREP Roundtable	Dr. Carol Smith, WSCC & various CREP Planners	
Start writing down all your CREP questions so you can fire them away at our panel of experts. Also feel free to bring examples of CREP plans or tools you have developed or come across, successful and unsuccessful projects, photos - anything CREP related is welcome.			
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Implementing Urban and Suburban Riparian Enhancement	King CD	
In an increasingly urban and suburban county come see what King CD has to offer their riparian landowners. They will present on who they offer services to, how they incentivize implementation and secure funding for riparian projects, and will show examples of projects that have been implemented.			

Supervisor Training			Mike Tobin
Time	Title	Presenter	Place
Monday			
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Supervisor Open Forum and Tour Forum to identify top 3 items supervisors want to cover over the session and walking tour of Sleeping Lady .	Ray Ledgerwood, WCC	-
Tuesday			
8:00 am - 8:45 am	Supervisors Power and Authorities In depth look into RCW 89.08.220, the relationship of the CD to its partners, "the job description"...	Ray Ledgerwood, WCC	
8:45 am - 9:30 am	Elections & Appointments Presentation and discussion of district supervisor election and appointment procedures.	Bill Eller, WCC	
9:30 am - 10:15 am	Financial & Fiduciary Responsibilities Presentation and discussion of the "bottom line" responsibilities for District Supervisors.	Debbie Becker, WCC &/or Enduris	
10:15 am - 11:00 am	State budget – What Supervisors Can Do What supervisors can do to influence state budget process working with and through the WACD and WSCC	Debbie Becker, WCC	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Public Meetings & Information Requests Requirements for public meetings, executive seessions, information requests etc...	Enduris	
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Crooks You Work With Conservation district stewardship of its human resources and financial affairs. (with Finance)	Larry Bailey, Water and Sewer Risk Management Pool	
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm	District Administrative Efficiencies Presentation / discussion of examples / concepts of improvements in district administrative efficiencies	Ray Ledgerwood, WCC	
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	Influencing Policy though Resolutions The resolution process, purpose and power. Develop an actual Resolution	Craig Nelson, Okanogan CD, Ray Ledgerwood, Dave Vogel	
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Association Work Presentation and discussion of WACD's influence, information & education and products and services.	Dave Vogel, WACD	
Wednesday			
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Roundtable w/ NRCS, WSCC and WACD Presentations by each district partner and opportunity for questions and answers.	Michael Tobin, Spokane CD	
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Evaluation of Supervisor Training Supervisors identify what to keep, change and/or modify in training. Priorities & needs developed for next year.	Ray Ledgerwood, WCC	